

MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Insurance

The meeting was called to order by Rep. Rex Hoy at \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

3:30 <sup>xx</sup> a.m./p.m. on March 26, 1986 in room 521-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Rep. King, excused

Committee staff present:

Ms. Emalene Correll, Research Department  
Ms. Melinda Hanson, Research Department  
Mr. Gordon Self, Revisor's Office  
Ms. Deanna Willard, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Mr. Ron Todd, Kansas Insurance Department

Hearing on: Sub. SB 121 - Risk pool--accident and health insurance

Ms. Hanson explained that this bill had been heard last session and that favorable action was taken; however, there was insufficient time for House action. It has been rereferred to this committee. It does not implement a risk-pooling mechanism but permits the gathering of data by the insurance commissioner regarding instances of denial or termination of coverage and those in which an applicant is rated up. The commissioner would then report this information to the legislature by the 1988 session. The bill was reviewed by the Special Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance during its study of Proposal No. 14--Health Insurance for "uninsurables."

Mr. Todd stated that there might be some problems with the way the bill is worded, specifically that the section beginning on Line 0069 would appear to apply to other types of assigned risk programs, too.

Ms. Hanson read the interim committee recommendation and said the intent was that the language on Line 76 was to limit the bill to accident and sickness policies; however, she said the Special Committee suggested that it might be more clear if it were on Line 0069 instead.

Rep. Blumenthal made a motion to accept the insurance department recommendation that Line 0069 be changed from "a" to "an accident and sickness" plan, to remove this wording from (2), and to allow the revisor to update the bill to 1988. Rep. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rep. Blumenthal moved that Sub. for SB 121 be recommended favorably as amended; Rep. DeBaun seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Hearing on: SCR 1621 - Requesting the insurance department to study costs of diabetic equipment coverage

Ms. Hanson explained that this bill is related to Sub. for SB 121; it provides that the insurance department and other interested persons study the cost of requiring coverage for diabetic equipment and self-management education programs. The study group would report to the legislature.

Rep. Cribbs moved that SCR 1621 be reported favorably with amendments to show current applicable dates; Rep. DeBaun seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_  
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